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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to an Office communication mailed August 10, 2001 (Paper No. 7). A separate petition for the appropriate extension of time in which to respond is being filed concurrently herewith.